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WSBE-TV CHANNEL 36 24 MASON ST. PROVIDENCE, R.I. 02903

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August 24, 1978

Dear Senator Pell:

I am enclosing, for your information, a copy of a proposal which WSBE-TV, Channel 36 has submitted to the National Endowment for the Humanities for a Media Production Grant.

The proposal is for funding to produce a television script for a 1 hour dramatic documentary about Bishop George Berkeley's 1729 visit to Newport.

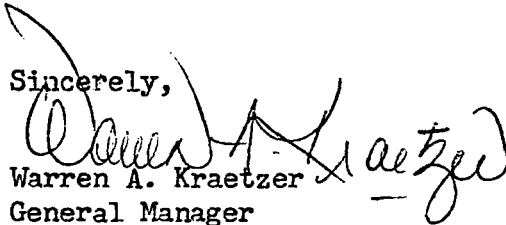
State Senator Bob McKenna who is a Berkeley scholar is working closely with us in the development of this project.

We anticipate that if the proposal is successful we will seek additional funds from NEH for the production. Irish television, Radio Telefís Eireann has committed £50,000 for their half of the production. Their involvement may make this the first full co-production between a foreign network and an American public broadcasting station, rather than a buying of services.

This project can be truly significant for Newport and for Rhode Island.

I again want to thank you for your interest in public television station WSBE-TV.

Sincerely,


Warren A. Kraetzer
General Manager

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